

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of photographic processing, comprising the steps of:
applying a first component of a processing solution to the surface of a silver halide photographic material to be processed; and
applying a second component of the processing solution to the surface of photographic material to be processed, wherein when the applied first and second components have mixed together, the processing solution is active to oxidise silver in the photographic material.
2. A method according to claim 1, in which the first and second components of the processing solution are mixed together immediately prior to application to the surface of the photographic material.
3. A method according to claim 1, in which the first and second components of the processing solution are applied separately and in which they mix together on the surface of the photographic material.
4. A method according to claim 1, in which the first and second components of the processing solution are components of a peroxide bleach.
5. A method according to claim 1, in which one of the components of the processing solution includes silver ions to accelerate the oxidising action of the processing solution.
6. A photographic processor, comprising:
a receiver for receiving photographic material to be processed; and
a processing solution applicator for applying a processing solution to a surface of the photographic material, wherein the processing solution applicator comprises a source of a first component of a processing solution and a source of a second component of the processing solution, the applicator being adapted to mix said first and second components of the processing solution either on or immediately prior to application of the processing solution to a surface of the photographic material.

7. A photographic processor according to claim 6, in which the processing solution applicator comprises a nozzle assembly for jetting the components of the processing solution onto the photographic material.

8. A photographic processor according to claim 7, in which the nozzle assembly comprises a respective nozzle for applying each component of the processing solution separately.

9. A photographic processor according to claim 8, in which the nozzle assembly comprises a unitary nozzle for applying the mixed components of the processing solution together.

10. A photographic processor according to claim 6, in which the receiver is arranged at a separation relative to the processing solution applicator such that when photographic material is arranged in the receiver a spacing is maintained between the photographic material and the processing solution applicator.

11. A photographic processor according to claim 6, further comprising a drive mechanism to drive the receiver and processing solution applicator relative to each other.

12. A photographic processor according to claim 6, further comprising a control unit to control movement of the receiver and processing solution applicator relative to each other and application of the processing solution.

13. A photographic processor according to claim 12, in which the control unit comprises a microprocessor.

14. A computer program which when run on a computer causes said computer to function as the control unit in claim 12.